



**MEETING MINUTES
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
COUNTY COUNCIL, REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2024**

Legislative Hearing Room, 55 Second Street, Friday Harbor, WA

9:00 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE.

Council Chair Fuller called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Present: Council Members Jane Fuller, Christine Minney and Cindy Wolf, County Manager Jessica Hudson, and Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers.

Approval of Agenda: To approve the Resolution Changing Custodians of Treasurers Office Revolving Fund listed on the Consent Agenda as a Miscellaneous item separately.

Approval of Minutes:

MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Wolf to approve the San Juan County Council October 28, 29 and November 5, 2024, meeting minutes as written. ALL AYES: MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Wolf, to approve the financial items listed on the Consent Agenda of Tuesday, December 3, 2024. ALL AYES: MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer Rhonda Peterson briefed Council on a Resolution Changing Custodians of Treasurers Office Revolving Fund. After discussion Council took the following action:

MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Wolf, to approve the Resolution to update the Treasurer's Office Revolving fund custodians in accordance with the requirements of the State Auditor. ALL AYES: MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Correspondence: Council draft letter to Tribal Governments.

Marine Program Manager of Environmental Stewardship Frances Robertson presented the draft letter. After discussion, a few minor edits are needed, Council agreed to bring back the letter for approval by consent at next week's Council meeting on December 10, 2024.

Public Comments: none.

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9:15 AM PUBLIC HEARING – PUBLIC TESTIMONY ACCEPTED

1) To consider adopting an Ordinance Regarding Rule of Procedure for San Juan County Council amending Chapter 2.04 of the San Juan County Code, Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers and Prosecuting Attorney Amy Vira.

Present: Full Council, County Manager Jessica Hudson, and Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers.

Chair Fuller opened the public hearing to consider adoption of the Ordinance. Ms. Rogers and Ms. Vira presented the Ordinance and answered Council's questions.

Chair Fuller opened public testimony. The following individuals offered testimony: none.

Chair Fuller closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, Council took the following action:

MOVED and amended by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Wolf to adopt an Ordinance Regarding Rule of Procedure for San Juan County Council amending Chapter 2.04 of the San Juan County Code. ALL AYES: MOTION CARRIED.

2) To consider adopting and Ordinance for the 2024 3rd Budget Amendment, Molly Foote – Budget Analyst.

Present: Full Council, County Manager Jessica Hudson, and Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers.

Chair Fuller opened the public hearing to consider adoption of the Ordinances. Ms. Foote and Ms. Warmenhoven presented the Ordinances and answered Council's questions.

Chair Fuller opened public testimony. The following individuals offered testimony: none.

Chair Fuller closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, Council took the following action:

MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Wolf to adopt an Ordinance Revising the San Juan County 2024 Budget for Emergency Appropriations; Amending Ordinances 16-2023, 02-2024, 03-2024, 04-2024, 12-2024, AND 13-2024. ALL AYES: MOTION CARRIED.

MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Wolf to adopt an Ordinance Revising the San Juan County 2024 Budget for Supplemental Appropriations; Amending Ordinances 16-2023, 02-2024, 03-2024, 04-2024, 12-2024, 13-2024 and ____-2024. ALL AYES: MOTION CARRIED.

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93 **3)** To consider approving a Resolution for the 2025 Annual Capital Improvement Plan, and
94 a Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan, Natasha Warmenhoven- Auditor.
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96 Present: Full Council, County Manager Jessica Hudson, and Clerk to the
97 Council Sally Rogers.
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99 Chair Fuller opened the public hearing to consider adoption of the Resolution. Ms.
100 Warmenhoven presented the Resolution and answered Council's questions.
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102 Chair Fuller opened public testimony. The following individuals offered testimony: none.
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104 Chair Fuller closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, Council
105 took the following action:
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107 **MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Wolf to adopt a Resolution for the 2025 Annual**
108 **Capital Improvement Plan, and a Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan. ALL AYES:**
109 **MOTION CARRIED.**
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111 **4)** To adopt an Ordinance for the 2025 Mid-Biennium Review, Molly Foote – Budget Analyst.
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113 Present: Full Council, County Manager Jessica Hudson, and Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers.
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115 Chair Fuller opened the public hearing to consider adoption of the Ordinance. Ms.
116 Foote and Warmenhoven presented the Ordinance and answered Council's questions.
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118 Chair Fuller opened public testimony. The following individuals offered testimony: County
119 Clerk Lisa Henderson.
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121 Chair Fuller closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, Council
122 took the following action:
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124 **MOVED and amended by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Wolf to adopt an Ordinance**
125 **Revising the San Juan County 2025 Budget for Emergency Appropriations, Amending**
126 **Ordinance 16-2023 with no additions. ALL AYES: MOTION CARRIED.**
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128 **5)** To consider adopting an Ordinance Cancelling Prior Years Unclaimed Accounts
129 Payable Warrants, Natasha Warmenhoven- Auditor and Alyssa Slagle – Auditor Office
130 Admin Specialist.
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132 Present: Full Council, County Manager Jessica Hudson, and Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers.
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134 Chair Fuller opened the public hearing to consider adoption of the Ordinance. Ms.
135 Slagle and Ms. Warmenhoven presented the Ordinance and answered Council's
136 questions.
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138 Chair Fuller opened public testimony. The following individuals offered testimony: none.
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Chair Fuller closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, Council took the following action:

MOVED by Ms.^{Minney} seconded by Ms.^{Wolf} to adopt an Ordinance Cancelling Prior Years Unclaimed Accounts Payable Warrants. ALL AYES: MOTION CARRIED.

10:40 AM Discussion/Action: 2025 Legislative Priorities, Jessica Hudson- County Manager and Josh Weiss, Gordon Thomas Honeywell.

Ms. Hudson presented a Resolution for the 2025 Legislative Priorities and answered Council questions. Mr. Weiss offered comments to Council. After discussion, the priorities need further additions or changes, Council agreed to have Ms. Hudson bring the Resolution back to the December 10, 2024, Council meeting for approval.

11:15 AM Discussion/Action: To adopt a Resolution Approving San Juan County to merge with Northwest Clean Air Agency, Kyle Dodd - Deputy Director/EH Manager of HCS.

Mr. Dodd presented the Resolution to Council and answered their questions. After discussion, Council took the following action:

MOVED by Ms.^{Minney} seconded by Ms.^{Wolf} to adopt a Resolution Approving San Juan County to merge with Northwest Clean Air Agency. ALL AYES: MOTION CARRIED

11:25 AM Discussion/Action: Conservation District presentation, Paul Andersson - Executive Director, San Juan Islands Conversation District.

Mr. Andersson gave a presentation and answered Council's questions. After discussion Council gave their support for proposed changes in the 2025 legislative session that may allow local jurisdiction Conservation Districts to set rates and charges.

10:50 AM New Business: Ms. Wolf requested the draft letter to Tribal Governments be on the December 9, 2024 Agenda for review prior to approval on the December 10, 2024 Agenda.

10:55 AM Council Member, County Manager & Clerk Updates:

Ms. Wolf: Attended the following: Salmon Recovery Council meeting, Ecosystem Coordination Board meeting, Agricultural Resources Committee meeting, SWISS Behavior Health meeting, North Sound Behavioral Health Association meeting, Clean Water Advisory meeting, Energy Environmental and Land Use meeting, SWISS Behavioral Health meeting, and Opportunity Council meeting.

Future meeting, Board of Health.

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Ms. Minney: Attended the following: November Housing Advisory Committee meeting, Land Bank meeting, Washington Association of Counties (WSAC) Annual Leaders Conference, SWISS Regional meeting, and WSAC Board of Directors meeting.

Ms. Fuller: Attended the following: Regional Fix Our Ferries Legislative Summit, Washington Association of Counties (WSAC) Annual Leaders Conference, Lopez Island Skate Park grand opening, and play-off soccer games on the mainland (Orcas vs. Lopez teams.)

Ms. Fuller is sending summary memo to the Northwest Regional Council Board regarding an evaluation of the Executive Director.

Future meetings: Islands Trust Council meeting and Public Facilities Financing Program (PFFAP) meeting.

Ms. Hudson: Attended the following: Washington Association of Counties (WSAC) Annual Leaders Conference.

Wrapping up negotiations for the Sheriff's Guild.

Update that the Risk & Safety Manager position has been hired (Mr. Vlach) and will be opening the position for the Human Resources Director.

Ms. Rogers: Gave the dates of upcoming Council meetings, December 9th, 10th and 23rd.

Advisory Committee Appointments/Reappointments presented by the Clerk:

- Orcas Island Library- To consider Sharman Ensminger for a 5-year term starting 1/1/2025-1/1/2030.
- San Juan Island Library – To consider Karen Vedder and Barbara Sharp be reappointed to the board to begin their second full 5-year terms, 01/01/2025 – 1/1/2030.
- ~~Planning Commission – To consider Bill Bangs be appointed for a 4-year term starting 1/1/2025 – 1/1/2029.~~ (Chair Fuller requested this appointment for consideration be brought back on the December 10, 2024 Council meeting agenda.)
- Fair Board- To consider Milene Henley be reappointed to the board to begin her second full 3-year term, 1/1/2025 -1/1/2028.
- Lopez Island Library – to consider Thomas Vinje be appointed for a 5-year term starting 1/1/2025-1/1/2030.

MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Wolf, to approve the appointments as presented by Clerk to the Council Ms. Rogers, except the appointment for the Planning Commission. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURN 12:15 PM

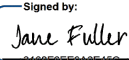
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SAN JUAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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ATTEST: Clerk to the Council

Signed by:
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Sally Rogers
12/17/2024
Date:

Minutes approved by San Juan County Council on December 10, 2024.